

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for supplementing the diet of a subject with diabetes mellitus comprising administering to the subject medium-chain triglycerides or a composition comprising medium-chain triglycerides in an amount sufficient to regulate and normalize fat metabolism in the subject, wherein the composition contains a fat phase which comprises:

- (a) 10 to 30% medium-chain triglycerides;
- (b) at least one monounsaturated fatty acid;
- (c) linoleic acid;
- (d) α -linoleic acid; and
- (e) eicosapentaen acid and/or docosahexaen acid as multiple unsaturated triglycerides.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein the monounsaturated fatty acid is oleic acid.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3, wherein the composition comprises 20 to 60% oleic acid as monounsaturated triglyceride.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein the composition comprises 10 to 35% linoleic acid as double-unsaturated triglyceride.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein the composition comprises 3 to 10% α -linolenic acid as triple-unsaturated triglyceride.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 7~~ claim 1, wherein the composition comprises 0.5 to 2% eicosapentaen acid and/or docosahexaen acid.

9. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises saturated long-chain triglycerides of 6% at the most.

10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the fat phase of the composition comprises:

(a) medium-chain triglycerides	10 to 30%;
(b) saturated long-chain triglycerides	0.5 to 6%;
(c) oleic acid	20 to 60%;
(d) linoleic acid	10 to 35%;
(e) alpha-linolenic acid	3 to 10%; and
(f) eicosapentaen acid and/or docosahexaen acid	0.5 to 2%.

11. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein the fat phase of the composition further comprises as emulsifiers, mono- and diglycerides of edible fatty acids, fat-soluble vitamins, β -carotene, butter flavourings and/or flavourings which are suitably spicy and anti-oxidative with regard to unsaturated fatty acids.

12. (Original) The method according to claim 11, wherein the fat-soluble vitamins are vitamins A, D, E and/or vitamin C in the form of ascorbyl palmitate.

13. (Original) The method according to claim 12, wherein the fat phase of the composition comprises 0.0002 to 0.002 g retinyl palmitate and/or 1 to 5 μ g (40-200 I. U.) vitamin D₃ and/or 0.02 to 0.2 g natural vitamin E in the form of RRR- α -tocopheryl acetate and/or 0.06 to 0.6 g ascorbyl palmitate.

14. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein (a) the fat phase of the composition comprises 80% and an aqueous phase is 20% or (b) the fat phase of the composition is ~~about~~ 60 to 65% and an aqueous phase is 35 to 40%.

15. (Original) The method according to claim 14, wherein the aqueous phase comprises the vitamins B₆, B₁₂ and/or folic acid.

16. (Original) The method according to claim 15, wherein the aqueous phase further comprises the vitamins C, B₁, B₂ and/or niacin.

17. (Original) The method according to claim 16, wherein the composition comprises 0.01 to 0.25 g vitamin C and/or 0.0005 to 0.005 g vitamin B₁ and/or 0.0006 mg to 0.006 g vitamin B₂ and/or 0.0007 to 0.007 g vitamin B₆ and/or 0.0015 to 0.015 mg vitamin B₁₂ and/or 0.007 to 0.070 g niacin (nicotine amide) and/or 0.0002 to 0.002 g folic acid.

18. (Original) The method according to claim 14, wherein the aqueous phase of the composition contains zinc, chrome and/or manganese.

19. (Original) The method according to claim 18, wherein the composition per 100 g comprises 0.00225 to 0.015 g zinc and/or 0.03 mg to 0.1 mg chrome and/or 0.002 to 0.005 g manganese.